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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TIDEWATER UTILITIES, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE WATER SERVICES PURSUANT TO 26 DEL. C. §203C (FILED FEBRUARY 9, 2016) PSC DOCKET 16-0174 ("CLAY NOTICE")

On February 9, 2016, Tidewater Utilities, Inc., filed an application with the Delaware Public Service Commission ("PSC") for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to provide water services to the following parcel: (1) which is located about 784 feet west of the intersection of Clay Road and Marsh Road. The basis for the application is Tidewater Utilities, Inc. possession of petition requesting water services signed by all of the landowners in the proposed service area as set forth in 26 Del. C. §203C(e)(1)b.

The PSC is investigating this matter to the extent deemed necessary to determine whether the CPCN should be granted. An evidentiary hearing on this application will not be held unless there is a meritorious request received within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice. A meritorious request is deemed to be **one** which sets forth reasonable proportion of the pro grounds why a public hearing would be appropriate or would be in the public interest.

Pursuant to current law, property owners within the proposed CPCN service area may file an objection to the issuance of a CPCN to Tidewater Utilities, Inc. and may also choose to "opt-out" of inclusion in the proposed service area. Written notice of such objection or a decision to "opt-out" of inclusion in the proposed service area must be sent to the Delaware Public Service Commission at the following address within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice.

The Commission's mailing address is:

Public Service Commission 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Cannon Bldg. Suite 100, Dover, DE 19904 Attention: PSC Docket No. 16-0174

Copies of Tidewater Utilities, Inc. application in this matter are available for public inspection at the Commission's Dover office at the address noted above during normal business hours, or from the Commission's website at http://depsc.delaware.gov/cpcn/cpcnindex.shtml.

Any individual with a disability, who wishes to participate in these proceedings, or to review the application, should contact the Commission to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such review or participation. Such contact may be in person, by writing, telephonically, by use of the Telecommunications Relay Service, or otherwise. Persons with questions concerning this matter may contact the Commission at its toll-free number (within Delaware) 1-800-282-8574, by Text Telephone ("TT"), by regular telephone at (302) 736-7500, or by e-mail to kevin.neilson@state.de.us.